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In re Application of :
Donald G. Wallace et al. :
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed September 12, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is granted.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed January 29, 2003, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on April 30, 2003.

The two-month period for filing an appeal brief in triplicate (accompanied by the fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(c)), runs from the date of this decision.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 1615 for further processing.

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